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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eighteen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3655–3672. **Pages S752-53**

Measures Reported:

S. 442, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the Administrator of General Services to procure the most life-cycle cost effective and energy efficient lighting products and to issue guidance on the efficiency, effectiveness, and economy of those products. (S. Rept. No. 117–80)

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Measures Passed:

Health Care for Burn Pit Veterans Act: Senate passed S. 3541, to improve health care and services for veterans exposed to toxic substances.

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Appointments:

Cyprus, Greece, Israel, and the United State 3+1 Interparliamentary Group: The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 117–81, appointed the following individuals to serve as members of the Senate Delegation to the Cyprus, Greece, Israel, and the United State 3+1 Interparliamentary Group: Senators Menendez, Gillibrand, and Duckworth. Page S756

Further Additional Extending Government Funding Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 17, 2022, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 6617, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022; and that at 1 p.m., the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed thereon ripen.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 83 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. EX. 58), Celeste Ann Wallander, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action: By 81 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. EX. 56), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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By 94 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. EX. 59), David A. Honey, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 93 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. EX 57), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Messages from the House:

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—59) Pages S732, S747-48

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:20 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$756.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

EPA'S RENEWABLE FUEL STANDARD PROGRAM

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's Renewable Fuel Standard program, focusing on challenges and opportunities, after receiving testimony from Cory-Ann Wind, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Portland; and Emily Skor, Growth Energy, Lucian Pugliaresi, Energy Policy Research Foundation, Inc., and LeAnn Johnson Koch, Perkins Coie LLP, all of Washington, D.C.